

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
ROCK HILL DIVISION

John S. Stritzinger,

PETITIONER

v.

Robert Harrison Pemberton, et al.,

RESPONDENTS

Case No. 0:18-cv-00389-TLW

**Order**

Petitioner John S. Stritzinger, proceeding *pro se*, filed this petition for a writ of mandamus directed to the Texas Third Court of Appeals. ECF No. 1. The matter now comes before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (Report) filed by the magistrate judge to whom this case was assigned. ECF No. 13.

In the Report, the magistrate judge recommends that the petition be summarily dismissed due to Petitioner's failure to comply with the magistrate judge's prior proper form order. After the magistrate judge filed the Report, Petitioner filed a document entitled "Objections on Fifth Amendment & Obstruction of Justice Grounds." ECF No. 15. This matter is now ripe for decision.

In reviewing the Report, the Court applies the following standard:

The magistrate judge makes only a recommendation to the Court, to which any party may file written objections . . . . The Court is not bound by the recommendation of the magistrate judge but, instead, retains responsibility for the final determination. The Court is required to make a *de novo* determination of those portions of the report or specified findings or recommendation as to which an objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the report and recommendation to which no objections

are addressed. While the level of scrutiny entailed by the Court's review of the Report thus depends on whether or not objections have been filed, in either case the Court is free, after review, to accept, reject, or modify any of the magistrate judge's findings or recommendations.

*Wallace v. Hous. Auth. of City of Columbia*, 791 F. Supp. 137, 138 (D.S.C. 1992) (citations omitted).

In light of the standard set forth in *Wallace*, the Court has reviewed, *de novo*, the Report and the objections. After careful review of the Report and the objections, for the reasons stated by the magistrate judge, the Report, ECF No. 13, is **ACCEPTED**. Petitioner's objections, ECF No. 15, are **OVERRULED**. Petitioner's petition, ECF No. 1, is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

*s/Terry L. Wooten*  
Terry L. Wooten  
Senior United States District Judge

April 15, 2020  
Columbia, South Carolina